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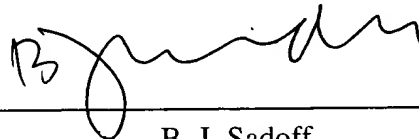
Sir:

Responsive to Ms. Chadwick's request to the undersigned on November 29, 2000, the undersigned submits the attached copy of the papers filed in the above. The applicants note, however, that the references submitted with the application on August 15, 2000, have not been included, however the undersigned would be happy to submit the same upon the further request of the Patent Office. The undersigned's post card receipts are also attached from each of the filings. The Office is requested to contact the undersigned if anything further is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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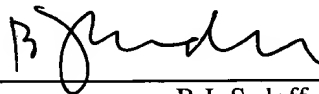
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

As suggested by 37 C.F.R. 1.197, the undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent Office the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, a copy of each of which is attached except for those noted in bold which will be filed with a subsequent paper. The attached documents were cited and are of record in the parent Application No. 08/362,455. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists, or that a reference is relevant merely because it is cited. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached Form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record, pursuant to MPEP §609. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned if anything further is required in this regard.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attention is directed to the attached European Search Report for this application and three references cited therein which have not already been filed in the USPTO. A PTO-1449 is also attached which lists these documents.

Official consideration and citation of each such reference is requested pursuant to MPEP §609.

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